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## Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital ..... \$10,000,000  
Reserve Fund ..... \$5,000,000  
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ..... \$10,000,000

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent  
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 3 per Cent per Annum.  
For 6 months, 4 per Cent per Annum.  
For 12 months, 5 per Cent per Annum.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager,

Hongkong, 15th April, 1895.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 15th April, 1895.

HONGKONG AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... £2,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £251,093.15.0

BANKERS:

CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:  
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:

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RATES OF INTEREST,

ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS

and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
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Hongkong, 6th November, 1895.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital ..... £1,000,000

Subscribed Capital ..... £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:

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Chan Kit Shan, Esq. [Chief Manager,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest on 12 months' Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

HOLDERS ..... £800,000

RESERVE FUND ..... £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT

ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent per

annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months..... 5 per cent.

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A. C. MARSHALL,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1895.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF

INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... £1,600,000

SUBSCRIBED ..... £1,185,000

PAID-UP ..... £68,600

BANKERS:  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT

ACCOUNTS at the Rate of a per cent.

per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 Months..... 5 per cent.

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" " 3 " " 2 "

" " 2 " " 1 "

JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1895.

THE ASIANIC.

VICTORIA CHAPTER,

No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the

above CHAPTER will be held in the

PHARMACIST'S HALL, Zeilstein Street, on WED-

NESDAY, the 26th instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m.

Precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially

invited to attend.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1895.

## Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the CONTRACT of LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby giving greatly increased Security to the Holders of the Company's Policies.

For full particulars and rates, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000.

EQUAL TO \$83,333.33.

RESERVE FUND ..... \$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. [LO-YEUK MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken

at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the

World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1894.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept

MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,

&c., Policies granted to all Parts of the world

payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUEUNG FAT,

Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,

No. 1, OYEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1895.

Intimations.

## BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

### Intimations.

28, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.



SPECIAL DAGGER PACKING

FOR HIGH PRESSURE, ROUND

OR SQUARE.

ASBESTOS PACKINGS of every description.

ASBESTOS SHEETS, MILLBOARDS, CANVAS, &c.

ASBESTOS COMPOSITION for COVERING BOILERS and STEAM PIPES.

CANVAS CORE PACKING (Tack Form). SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

ASBESTOLINE, the most economical lubricant.

ALL GOODS BEARING TRADE MARK GUARANTEED.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1895.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF

SHIP AND ENGINE STORES

OF BEST BRANDS.

AGENTS FOR—

HOLZAPFEL'S INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.

PRICES SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL.

United Asbestos Co.'s HIGH GRADE packings and jointings for Triple-Expansion Engines.

PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

TELEPHONE No. 97.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1895.

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## THE CLUB HOTEL, 5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

## HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, TSUJIJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.

Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every

assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER

on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

C. T. BENNEY, Manager, YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.

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## HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,

Today's  
Advertisements.

VICTORIA LODGE  
OF HONGKONG No. 1026.

A DEBUTANT MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FRENCHMAN'S HALL, Zetland Street THIS EVENING, the 22nd instant, at 8 p.m. or a little earlier. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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HONGKONG SMOKING CONCERT CLUB.

THE SECOND CONCERT will be held in the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on FRIDAY, the 26th instant, at 8 p.m. precisely.

Chairman—Commander MILLER, R.N.

J. D. LAPRAIK,  
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HAVE THIS DAY ASSUMED CHARGE of the above Company's Business.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

NOTICE.

I, THE UNDERSIGNER, DO NOT RESPOND to any bills or ACCOUNTS presented by LUCIMA L. ROCHA on and after this date.

D. V. ENRIQUEZ,  
No. 10, Pottiger Street.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

(Taking Cabin, 1st, Passengers at through rate  
for China, Tientsin, Nanking and  
Nanking and Ports on the Yangtze.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"TAIWANG."

Captain Anderson will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LTD.

FOR AMoy AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship.

"THATNUSS."

Captain H. Rothwell, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA."

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA."

Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"YUNENSANG."

Captain Widdowson, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR CHINA.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"CHINA."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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"GLENLINE" STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLEFSB FOR LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENGLYCE"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 6th May, otherwise they will not be received.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

Today's  
Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION  
OF  
SILVER RACING CUPS, PLATES, &c.

THE Undersigned have instructions from C. F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Official Administrator, to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

FRIDAY, the 26th April, 1895.

AT 2.30 P.M.

At his SALE ROOMS, Queen's Road,

SUNDAY SILVER CUPS, PLATES, &c.

The Property of Mr. FRASER-SMITH.

On View from the Morning of the day of Sale.

TERMS OF SALE:—As a customer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Administrator.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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FOR SALE.

THE ENGINES and BOILERS of the Chinese Gondola,

CHOP-CHEUNG,

as they lie at ARDREYDN DOCKS.

Can be inspected on application to the Fore-

mane-chang at the Dock.

No reasonable offer refused.

For further particulars, apply to

CHARLES F. A. SANGSTER,

Official Administrator,

Estate of R. FRASER-SMITH, Deceased.

Supreme Court,

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

will be on sale at the Hongkong Club, and at

Petrie's What, EVERY EVENING from 5.30 to

7.30 o'clock.

PRICE ..... TEN CENTS.

Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate—25 cents.

Advertisers are reminded that the Hongkong Telegraph has by far the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East. THIS IS GUARANTEED. Terms on application.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1895.

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INTIMATIONS.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &

COMPANY, LIMITED.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

COLDS IN THE HEAD, &c.

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co.'s

PINOL EUCALYPTIA INHALERS.

ONE of the best remedies extant for Nasal Catarrh and all disorders of the Nasal Passages and Nasopharyngeal membranes.

Price ..... \$1.25.

EUCALYPTUS OIL.

A STANDARD REMEDY FOR COLDS.

Sprinkled on the handkerchief and over the

breast of the night clothing it gives almost instant relief.

Bottles ..... \$1.00 and 50 Cents.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1895.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ALL these are Selected by our London

House, bought direct at first hand,

imported in Wood and Bottled by ourselves,

thus saving all intermediate profits and enabling

us to supply the best growths at moderate

prices.

TRICK LISTS, WITH FULL DETAILS, TO BE HAD

ON APPLICATION.

PORt.—After removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

It is a repetition of the charges made against the Board at its own table by its official President, after

but not until the Board had turned on the Governor and indignantly repudiated his presence of ignorance of the sanitary condition of a considerable portion of the city. Those charges were answered there and then by the members of the Board, and most effectively by Mr. Max. The Board had no power whatever to carry out the smallest improvement, however important; no power to enter houses, no medical officer under its orders, no officers of its own independent of the Government, no money, no men! The Board had asked for both, without success. The Board had reported often and urged the Government to effect certain changes, but the Government would not move. The Board could do nothing but through the Government.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely, a question of age and vintage.

HISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The Scotch Whisky marked "E" is universally popular and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong Market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the said Ports.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currents, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely, a question of age and vintage.

GLEN LINE STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLEFSB FOR LONDON AND STRAITS.

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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1895.

reporter returned to the office to assist in getting the paper out.

## THE LEAGUE AT MACAO.

As above stated evidence was forthcoming of the existence of the plague in epidemic form at Macao. The fact, too, was mentioned that several women from an infected house in Macao (where seven victims of the disease had been taken to hospital) had arrived here and were staying in a house on Praya West. Resolutions were therefore passed urging the Government to take instant steps to control the disease. Inspector of all persons entering from Macao and neighbouring places and continuing such inspection until all danger is past. The resolutions were carried unanimously and the S. C. resolved to forward copies of them to the Government.

Such, however, is the unsatisfactory state of affairs at present, until it be known that the disease will run its course, with the plagues out doors, the Government adopted a policy which has resulted in the resumption of a police which has resulted in the resumption of those who have much to do in driving a dangerous, ruthless and insidious pest from the colony only a few short months ago.

## THE "MAGISTRATE" AT THE CITY HALL.

The Hongkong A. D. C. gave a second performance of "Pierrot la Fâche" ("The Peasant") on Saturday evening last, and although the first performance was with smoothness which is seldom witnessed at "first nights" and which I think to be due to the most expert and judicious critic, yet that little was good on the occasion now under notice with the result that the whole "show" went merrily on from start to finish without a single hitch, and evoked almost unanimous laughter from a thoroughly well pleased and enthusiastic audience.

The "show" on this occasion was a grand one, which must have been very gratifying to the players, who seemed to thoroughly enter into their parts, and acted as naturally and easily as if they were the very individuals represented.

The scenic effects were noticed in every detail and we at once recognised the delicate touch of a lady's hand in the artistic setting and direction of the first and fourth scenes—Mr. Postle's drawing-room.

The menu of the various characters was varied in style by being toned down, and we were very pleased to notice that our well-meaning "tips" were taken in good part and acted upon, as it is the study of minute details that has brought the great success to the pitch of perfection in which it is now carried through.

Mr. C. H. Grace, on whose shoulders fell the burden of the evening, was again most successful, and succeeded in entirely charming his own personality in the difficult character of Mrs. Postle. Mr. J. H. Thresher, R.B., as Colonel Lukin, was in much better form than on the occasion of his debut. The character is one that requires most careful watching and self-restraint so that it may be very easily overdone, and we are unable, therefore, to do otherwise than highly compliment him on his masterly rendition of a delicate part; particularly so in the scene with Mr. Postle in the first part of the last act, when, if his actions or words have given more than their due weight he would have been guilty of hysterical "ranting."

That was not so, however, and he is to be congratulated on the exhibition of tact and feeling rarely or ever a distinctive feature in amateur theatricals.

Again in the supper room scene at the Hotel des Palmes, ably supported as he was by Sung-Mai Westcott, Captain Vane, his actions and enunciation were far above the average.

Mr. G. G. Brady, C.E., evoked rounds of laughter as usual, and although at times his by-play and facial expressions were a little too pronounced, he sustained his brilliant reputation throughout, and by his drill and untiring efforts succeeded in making himself the signal for laughter whenever he appeared. He was the life of the play. Miss Brabazon has, I should be added, succeeded in making a great hit out of one of the smallest parts of the piece.

The ladies scored far and away above anything in the amateur theatrical line we have yet seen on the local boards, and it is doubtful if even professional artists could have outshone the two parts undertaken by Miss Wrotesley and Mrs. J. Andrew respectively with more marked success than did these two pantomime-taking ladies. Mrs. Wrotesley carried her part through with digiv and complete self-possession; her actions being as graceful as her enunciation was distinct, clear and effective, her voice having a bell-like ring which re-echoed all parts of the auditorium so that every line was heard, understood and duly appreciated by the vast audience. Mrs. J. Andrew was equally successful in the placid and sparkling "Charlotte," her due at the supper table appearing naturally funny without palpable expression or inappropriate Irving after effect. Mrs. Wrotesley and Mrs. Moore were again most satisfactory in the less gaudy parts of "Berthe Tomlinson and Sophia." All the other characters were well created and each active enough to win a well-merited share of public appreciation.

There was no diminution in the energy and activity of every one of the performers, and from first to last the sparkle, wit and interest was unduly maintained as it should be in this very funny play.

The hand of the R.F.C. Brigade, under the accom-listed conductorship of Mr. Peachy, played most pleasing selections during the intervals.

Another performance is to be given on Wednesday evening next, the proceeds of which will be handed over to the Hongkong Benevolent Society.

## SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

### MAILS DUE.

Australian (*Guthrie*) 23rd Inst.  
Indian (*Catherine Aspin*) 27th Inst.  
American (*Belgic*) 26th Inst.  
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 3rd prox.  
Australian (*Tsiman*) 4th prox.  
American (*Peru*) 8th prox.

The Agents (Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Catherine Aspin*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port last Saturday afternoon.

The silk ex steamship *Emperors of Japan* was delivered in New York on the 18th inst., 19 days from Yokohama.

### TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

#### Inward.

*China* ..... steamer from San Francisco.  
*Kwongtung* ..... " Canton.  
*Lisso* ..... " Shanghai.  
*Glenary* ..... " Shanghai.  
*Namoy* ..... " Ningpo.  
*Esmeralda* ..... Manila.  
*Ahna* ..... " Clock.  
*Empress of India* ..... " Shanghai.  
*Glenay* ..... " Singapore.  
*Verona* ..... " Yokohama.  
Aggregating 20,250 tons register.

### Outward.

*Seven* ..... cruiser for Singapore.  
*Kwongtung* ..... steamer " Swatow.  
*Bromington* ..... " Clinklang.  
*Everela* ..... " Shanghai.  
Aggregating 8,434 tons register.

The British steamship *Pallas* left Kuching on the 10th instant, and had fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Partisan* left Sool on the 19th instant, and had light easterly breeze and fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Esmeralda* left Manil on the 10th instant, and had light winds and dull weather with occasional rain squalls on nearing the coast.

The British cruiser *Leader* left T'kow (Formosa) on the 10th instant, and had smooth seas and heavy thunderstorms with rain. Currents by north & knot an hour.

The British steamship *Pura Chom Kha* left Bangkok on the 14th instant, and Koh-Lakhang on the 15th, and had moderate to light north-east and easterly winds throughout.

The British steamship *Jordan* left Chinkiang on the 15th instant, and had light variable winds and calm weather with heavy fog and rain. On the 19th passed H.M.S. *Archer* off Amoy.

The British steamship *Glenary* left Wenzhou on the 18th instant. Anchored outside Sheep Island for 12 hours in dense fog. Left Sheep Island at 6 a.m. on the 19th, and had strong winds and high sea with fog and heavy rain to Chapel Island; thence to port had moderate breeze and fine weather.

The German steamship *Lito* left Shanghai on the 18th instant at 5 a.m. Anchored off Elgar Island at 3 p.m. on account of fog and proceeded next morning, and had fine weather to Hesuan; from there to Chapel Island had north-north-east gale and a very high running sea with thick rain weather and mist, and at times could not see a ship's length; passed Chapel Point at 5 a.m. on the 20th, and had fine weather and moderate variable winds to port.

The British steamship *Amos* left Fowchow on the 18th instant, and experienced light variable winds until passing Kwang-Po Point; thence dense fog set in, anchored off Quijim Spit at 6 a.m. on the 19th. At 3 p.m. fog lifted and proceeded into Amoy. Left again on the 20th, and had moderate east-north-east breeze and heavy blinding rain and continued same until passing Cork Point; from there to port had moderate north-easterly breeze and fine weather. In Amoy the steamships *Profound*, *Aphenare*, *Tatsong*, *Thales*, *Namyon*, *Kwong-mo*, *Pekin*, and the American gunboat *Machias*.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

<i>Irene</i>	.....	In Kowloon Dock.
<i>Achilles</i>	.....	" "
<i>Nanking</i>	.....	" "
<i>Rosa Cristina</i> (cruiser)	.....	" "
<i>Wolf</i> (gunboat)	.....	" "
<i>Mongkul</i>	.....	" "
<i>Royal</i> (torpedo-boat)	.....	" "
<i>Horse</i>	.....	" "
<i>Polophemus</i>	.....	" "
<i>Arco H.I.G.M.S.</i>	.....	Aberdeen "

The Pacific Mail liner *China*, which arrived here this morning from San Francisco, which port she left on the 26th ult., made the "run" from San Francisco to Hongkong, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, in 26 days.

The Spanish steamer *Espana* arrived at Manila on the 9th inst. in tow of the Spanish steamer *Retana*, and has since entered Cebu to call for a survey occasioned by her taking the ground near Mindanao.

On March 14th Messrs. Stephen and Sons launched at Linthouse, on the Clyde, a steel screw steamer, built to the order of Messrs. Wm. Thomson & Co., Leith, for their well-known "Ben" Line of China and Japan traders. The vessel is of the following dimensions:—Length between perpendiculars, 330 feet; breadth, extreme, 41 feet 9 inches; depth, mounted, 27 feet; and she has been constructed under Lloyd's superintendence for their highest class of tonnage, A three deck rudder. The engines, which were fitted on board before launching, are of triple expansion type, having cylinders 25 inches, 47 inches and 67 inches diameter by 42 inches stroke. The vessel was named *Benedict* by Mrs. Thomson, wife of Captain Robert W. Thomson, who will be in command.—*Lloyd's Shipping Index*.

### AMERICAN ITEMS.

The American liner *St. Paul* was launched from Cramp's shipyard on March 25th. Miss Francis C. Griscom, the daughter of President Griscom, of the International Navigation Co., which company controls the American Line, christened the huge liner, which docked in the average.

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Opinions in Great Britain seem to be that the limit in size and speed for ocean steamers are not far away, unless larger and deeper ports are made. It is not held that much greater speed is possible, but that it could not be gained so as to be made profitable. The next improvement is expected to be made in the way of lightness in machinery, but with increased strength. It seems, however, probable that some advance may be made in this country in the way of increased speed, judging from the improvements to this division made here in warship building.

Another performance is to be given on Wednesday evening next, the proceeds of which will be handed over to the Hongkong Benevolent Society.

### CHOLERA IN JAPAN AND THE PESCADORES.

A case of cholera was discovered at Moji on the 12th, and another on the 13th instant. The latter was a very virulent case and resulted finally with startling rapidity.

A fatal case is also reported from Fukouka. Thirteen persons suffering from the disease arrived at Moji on board the steamer *Kohra Maru*, on the 7th instant, ten of the patients being in a very critical condition. Ten cases were also found on a transport which arrived

Moji the same day, three of which were considered very serious. At Misugashima, and Imashima in Izu province, all vessels arriving are now inspected. The British head-quarantine station is at Ulker-ma and the disinfecting station at Fumijima. A steam-launch is stationed in the outer harbor of Fumijima Island where incoming vessels are inspected. In case of cholera, the vessel comes from an infected port. It is stopped by signal and visited, searched and inspected. If any case of cholera is found on board, notice is at once given to the disinfecting station, where the infected patients are sent to another steam-launch to the disinfecting station, where they are disinfected and isolated for five days. The vessel is also kept in strict quarantine for the same period. If no case is found on board a vessel arriving from an infected district, after being disinfected and isolated for 48 hours, it is allowed to proceed. As the inspection of the vessels is thus strictly carried out, any surgeon having long experience in such matters, is to be engaged at 150 yen per month. In addition, a fine of one thousand yen is imposed on the master of the vessel.

The British steamship *Esmeralda* left Manila on the 10th instant, and had fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Pallas* left Kuching on the 10th instant, and had fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Partisan* left Sool on the 19th instant, and had light easterly breeze and fine weather throughout.

The British steamship *Esmeralda* left Manila on the 10th instant, and had light winds and dull weather with occasional rain squalls on nearing the coast.

The British steamship *Leader* left T'kow (Formosa) on the 10th instant, and had smooth seas and heavy thunderstorms with rain. Currents by north & knot an hour.

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